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Dreadful News from Wapping:

Being a further RELATION

OF THE

Sad & Miserable Condition

Sarah Bower,

A Young Girl, of about Fourteen Years of Age,
who is *unhappy* & *possessed*.

Possessed With an Evil Spirit,

By Wapping New-Stairs, near the Chappel.

And Faithfully Related by Richard Kirby, Student in
Physick and Astrology, who hath Visited her.



According according to Order.

Printed by W. P. in the University-Classe, 1693.

The Explanation of the Scheme

Signs of Fascination or witchcraft are these. *First*, An Infortunate Lord of the Ascendant and 12th. viz. h . *Secondly*, The C Lady of the 6th in the 12th. *Thirdly*, The C refluxing from the Body of h . *Fourthly*, Q Lady of the 6th in the 12th with Caput Draconis. *Fifthly*, S in Q to the Ascendant, in Δ of the \odot , and in mundane \square to the first. *Sixthly*, The V in parallel of h , in the Zodiac and applying to a parallel of Q Lord of the 4th. All these are sufficient Testimonies to prove Fascination, Witchcraft, or Possession by the Devil.



THE Time when I visited this Poor Afflicted Maiden, was the last Lord's-Day at high Noon, being the 19th. of this Instant, to which Moment of Time I have erected the aforesaid Scheme of Heaven, desiring those Judicious Men which have entered *Urania's Court*, and are well acquainted with the *Starry Train*, to give their Opinions of this Afflicted Creatures Condition, that the World may see how the Face of Heaven agrees with what things are done and acted here below, either by Men or Devils.

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Sarah Bower, the present Subject of this Narration, is near 14 Years of Age, she was usually of a Temper pretty Brisk and Lively, somewhat given to Pride: Some Weeks agoe this Maid as she was going into a Yard near her Aunts Dwelling received a Stroke on her Back by an invisible Hand, which struck her flat on the Ground; she was taken up as for Dead, but after some time, a *Chirurgian* being sent for who blooded her, she came in some measure to her self again, but the greater part of one side of her Body was all benumm'd, or in a manner Dead; which occasioned a crooked bending in at the Waist, and a Lameness, tho' before she was very straight and went very well, and the next Day she was taken with most strange and unaccountable Fits, occasioned (as we then thought) by the Fright she might receive by the Stroke on the Back. These Fits she had by Intervals several Weeks, in which space of Time many Doctors (as well as my self) came to see her, and gave her Comfortable things to take; but at the same time declared they never were with any Patient that had such Fits before. After this, viz. at the end of the 6 Weeks, and about 9 Weeks since, this Maiden, as she was rising in the Morning, and out of her wonted Fits, she was taken Speechless, only she could make an odd sort of a Noise, and her Tongue, which always in her Fits used to hang out of her Mouth, like a Calf below her Chin, was now contracted and drawn almost into her Throat: I perswaded her Aunt to let me put my Hand into her Mouth, which she permitted, and endeavour'd to move her Tongue, but it was so fixed, that I could not: A pretty while before this, she being at a Neighbour's House, rocking a Child in the Cradle, while the

good Woman was gone a little way; (as she after declared when she came to her Speech) a Gentleman all in Black opened the Door and came in, and after speaking many kind Words to her, threw down a Bag of Gold and Silver, as she thought, and pour'd the Mony about the Room, and told her she should have that, and fine Suits of Head-Cloths, and very high Top-knots if she would be his, and let him take some Blood out of her Arm; after which, she standing all in Amaze, the black Gentleman took down a Knife from the Mantle-tree in order, as she thought, to cut her Arm, upon which she made all the Cry and Noise that possible she could, upon which the Mistriss of the House and some other of the Neighbours came in, but upon their appearance the black Gentleman or Devil immediately Vanished, and she made to them all the Signs and Tokens she could at that time of the occasion of her Cry, which they then thought was, that some Rogue had attempted to Rob the House; she continued thus Speechless untill the Thursday after the Last-Fast, on which day about Ten in the Morning her Speech came to her again and she then seemed to be extraordinary sensible of her former and present Condition, relating as before about the Gentleman in black, and moreover she related how that he had sort of broad Feet like a Cow, and further, that something appear'd to her in the shape of an Angel with Wings in a flaming Light, which she calls the Man of God, charging her to fear and put her trust in God, and not yield to that Man, who was Satan, the Devil that thus Tempted her, for he sought her Soul; after which she further declared many strange Things, (and yet seem'd very well in her Senses,) as it appear'd to the Men, Women, and Neigh-

Neighbours then present; who were near a Room full, also her Aunt, who declares, That since her Speech had been taken from her, she had seen many strange Visions, and been both in Heaven and Hell, that she [past] through Hell to Heaven, and was like to have been stop'd in the former, but that a good Angel that guarded her, brought her out of it to Heaven, that in Heaven she thought her Happiness so great, that she would have continued there, but her Angel told her that she could not then, but that she should shortly really die, and be brought thither; after which she declared these Words in the presence of many, *That if the People of London, and England, did not speedily repent from their Sins, especially that of Pride in Apparel, and turn from the Evil of their Ways, God Almighty would give them up as a Prey to their Enemies, and this she declared the Man of God gave her in charge to deliver; after which she uttered many godly savory Speeches and Expressions to the Persons then present, exhorting them to Repentance, she then declar'd that her Speech would be speedily taken from her, and that it would not be restored to her again till St. Thomas's-Day, as Christmas; at which time she having her Speech, should declare many more Things; and further, That at Two a Clock in the Afternoon she must go and meet the Black Man that had appeared to her in the Neighbours House afore-mentioned, but that before that time her Speech would leave her, this being about the Hour of Twelve, about One her Speech left her, and then she began to throttle in her Mouth as formerly, and soon after, a Bible lying near her, she took it up, and opened it in the presence of the Company, who observing what place it was she opened at, they found it to be the 17th. Chapter of the Gospel according to St. Mat-
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shew; this Chapter she seemed to read over to her
 self with a buzzing Noise, pointing to every Verse
 and Line with her Finger; soon after this, Two
 a Clock being come, with great Strength and Vi-
 olence she found her self or was forced out of the
 Room from her Company, and went into the Yard,
 as she had before declared, where she was soon
 thrown to the Ground in a strange manner, and her
 Fits came upon her in a worse manner than ever,
 yet at the same time, though all the Company
 went into the Yard after her, there was no Form
 or Shape visible to them, that could occasion her
 Fall. 'Tis very observable, and has often remarked
 by the Persons present, that though the Evil Spirit
 in her Fits permits her to be somewhat quiet just
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 roared like a Lion, making other strange kind of
 Noises, the Devil presenting before her the hi-
 dedious Shape of a Monstrous Fiery Dragon, other
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whiles a Lyon; the Man of God pulling one way,
and the Devil another.

Dear Country-Men;

I shall now proceed to give you an Impartial Relation of the several Cures I have lately perfected (through God's Mercy) and Restored the Persons to their proper Senses again, to Admiration, viz.

Jane Walter of East-Basham near Peaknam in Norfolk, who was Bewitched for a long time, her Tongue was tied in her Head with a Hempen-string, and run full of Pins, and she had many strange Fits, sometimes 20 or more in a day. The primitive cause, as it is supposed, was by a Toad, which offered to creep several times into her Lap, the which was thought to be the Familiar of one Terele's Wife, a suspected Witch; for they took the Toad, and offered to burn it, and it vanished away, that none knew what became of it.

A Young-man at the Town of Sould in Suffolk, who was under the like Circumstance, Witness the Magistrates of the said Town, and the Witch died for it. Those that are dissatisfied, let them send, and they may be further informed of the same.

The Daughter of one John Ballard of Ditchingham-Dam, near Bungy in Norfolk, who was Bewitched for above 2 Years, she voiding out of her Mouth many Stones, Crooked-pins, a piece of Glass, a Buckle, Buttons, and other things, which the Father of the Child hath now by him to shew, the Girl having many strange Fits in a day. All which was shewn and attested before the Mayor and

and Aldermen of the City of Norwich by the Childs Father, and many others.

Ann Burgeſs in *St. Edmunds* Pariſh, near *Finsbury* Bridge, in *Norwich*, who was Bewitched for ſeveral Years, ſhe having above Twenty Fits in a day beſides ſhe voided many Pins, Nails, Quills, Tobacco pipes, and a bended Farthing, with ſeveral other things before many Witneſſes, all which hath been ſhewed and attesteſt before the Mayor of *Norwich*, and I have them now by me to ſhew.

Grace Brown, the Daughter of *John Brown* in *Canford* in the City of *Norwich*, who was Bewitched for ſeveral Years, ſhe voiding many ſcores of Pins out of her Body, ſome of which I have ſhew, it being likewiſe attesteſt before the Mayor of the City of *Norwich*.

Many more Inſtances I could Inſert of wonderful Accidents in this Nature, but having a Book already in the Preſs copiouſly treating on the Subject, and my Bounds at preſent being too narrow, I ſhall wave them, Courteous Reader,

Subſcribing my ſelf your Friend,

Richard Kirby

*From my Lodgings at Mr.
Loſe's, in King-Street, St.
Ann's, Weſtminſter.*

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RELATION

OF THE

Apparition or Ghost

OF

Elinor Norway,

In Fans-Ally near Goffwel-street, London.

Who Dying in Child-Bed about Three Weeks ago, has appear'd almost every Night since her Death, in a strange and terrible manner, with an astonishing Light in her Left Hand: walking round her upper-Room for a considerable time, and then vanishes away as in a Flash of Fire, having appeared in this manner on Friday and Saturday Night last: at which time she was seen by above twenty People at once, to their dreadful and terrible Amazements.



The Truth of which will be Attested by above a 100 of the Neighbours in Goffwel-street, or any place thereabouts.

Licensed according to Order.



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